

## WOLF HUNTING SEASONS 2011-2012

<i>ZONE (HUNTING UNITS)</i>	<i>SEASON DATES</i>	<i>HARVEST LIMIT</i>	<i>NOTES</i>
<b>Panhandle</b> (1, 2, 3, 4, 4A, 5, 6, 7, 9)	Aug 30 - Mar 31		
<b>Palouse-Hells Canyon</b> (8, 8A, 11, 11A, 13, 18)	Aug 30 - Mar 31		
<b>Lolo</b> (10, 12)	Aug 30 - June 30		
<b>Dworshak-Elk City</b> (10A, 14, 15, 16)	Aug 30 - Mar 31		
<b>Selway</b> (16A, 17, 19, 20)	Aug 30 - June 30		
<b>Middle Fork</b> (20A, 26, 27)	Aug 30 - Mar 31		
<b>Salmon</b> (21, 21A, 28, 36B)	Aug 30 - Mar 31	40	
<b>McCall-Weiser</b> (19A, 22, 23, 24, 25, 31, 32, 32A)	Aug 30 - Mar 31		Motorized hunting restrictions apply in some units. See Page 70 in Big Game Rules brochure.
<b>Sawtooth</b> (33, 34, 35, 36, 39)	Aug 30 - Mar 31	60	
<b>Southern Mountains</b> (29, 36A, 37, 37A, 43, 44, 48, 49, 50, 51)	Aug 30 - Mar 31	25	Motorized hunting restrictions apply in some units. See Page 70 in Big Game Rules brochure.
<b>Beaverhead</b> (30, 30A, 58, 59, 59A)	Aug 30 - Dec 31	10	Motorized hunting restrictions apply in all units. See Page 70 in Big Game Rules brochure.
<b>Island Park</b> (60, 60A, 61, 62, 62A, 64, 65, 67)	Aug 30 - Dec 31	30	Motorized hunting restrictions apply in some units. See Page 70 in Big Game Rules brochure.
<b>Southern Idaho</b> (38, 40, 41, 42, 45, 46, 47, 52, 52A, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 63, 63A, 66, 66A, 68, 68A, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 73A, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78)	Aug 30 - Mar 31		Motorized hunting restrictions apply in some units. See Page 70 in big game rules brochure.

# Idaho Wolf Hunting Seasons and Rules

**August 2011 – June 2012**



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To find out whether a wolf hunt zone is closed, call **1-855-648-5558**.  
 Within 72 hours of harvesting a wolf, hunters must report it at **1-855-648-5558**.  
 Hunters must present hide and skull to a Fish and Game regional office within 10 days.

**Wolf tags, \$11.50 for residents, \$31.75 for nonresidents, are available at all Idaho license vendors.**

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## General Rules

**Wolf Harvest Limits:** Harvest limits are established for some management zones. The wolf season in those zones will close immediately when the wolf harvest limit has been met.

**To report a wolf harvest, call: 1-855-648-5558.**

**To find out which hunt zones are closed, call: 1-855-648-5558, or visit <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov/public/hunt/?getPage=266>.**

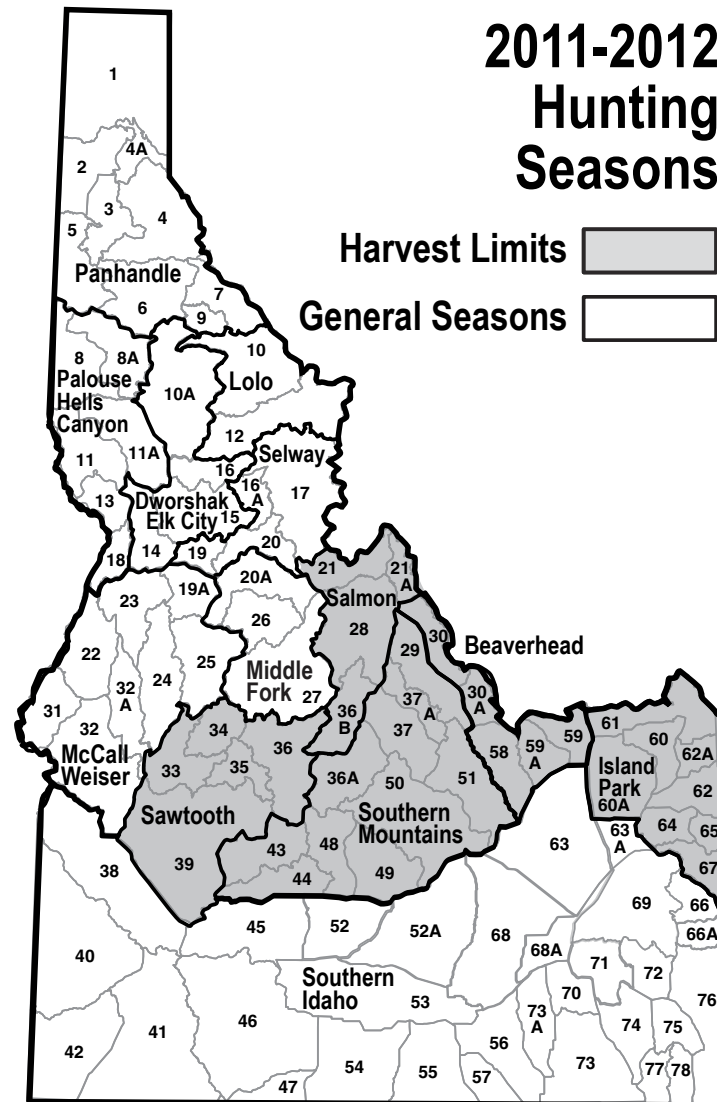
For more specific information about the number of wolves harvested and reported for each management unit, call an Idaho Fish and Game regional office, the headquarters office in Boise, or the website at: <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov/public/hunt/?getPage=266>.

Hunters are encouraged to check the status of harvest limits the day they plan to hunt.

**Evidence of Sex:** Must be left attached to the hide of any wolf taken. External evidence of sex (scrotum, penis, or testicles for males, or vulva for females) must be left naturally attached to the hide until the mandatory check requirement has been satisfied. Either sex may be taken.

**Bag Limit:** Hunters may not be issued more than two regular wolf tags per calendar year. No person may take more wolves than the number for which he or she possesses legal tags. Tags must be validated and securely attached immediately upon killing a wolf.

**Mandatory Report and Check:** Any hunter killing a wolf must report the harvest within 72 hours by calling the Wolf Reporting Number at 1-855-648-5558. Consideration will be given to those hunting in backcountry units. Additionally, any hunter killing a wolf must, within 10 days of the date of kill, present the skull and hide to a Fish and Game regional office or conservation officer for removal and retention of a premolar tooth and to have the hide tagged with an official state export tag. To have a raw wolf hide in their possession without an official export tag attached, a person must have a fur buyer or taxidermist license or appropriate import documentation, except during the open season and for five days after the close of the season.



A hunter may authorize another person to comply with the above requirements, provided that person has enough information to accurately complete the necessary form. Please thaw your wolf hide and skull before bringing it in for tagging.

**Trapping Wolves:** To trap wolves a person must have a trapping license, attend a mandatory class and have appropriate tags. Trapping seasons and rules are published in a separate pamphlet.

**Big Game Feeding Sites:** It is unlawful to hunt or pursue wolves within a half mile of any active Idaho Fish and Game big game feeding site.

**Weapons Restrictions:** Same as for other big game animals, see Page 67 in the 2011 big game rules.

**Electronic calls:** Electronic calls may be used to attract wolves for the purpose of harvest.

**Telemetry:** It is unlawful to take wolves with the aid of radio-telemetry.

**Bait:** Baiting or hunting big game over bait is illegal, except for black bears. Wolves may be taken incidentally to bear baiting. It is unlawful to hunt wolves within 200 yards of the perimeter of any designated dump or sanitary landfill.

**Dogs:** Use of dogs to attract or pursue wolves is prohibited.

**Retrieving meat:** Hunters are not required to retrieve meat from a harvested wolf. For tips on skinning a wolf, contact a regional Fish and Game office.

**Incidental Wolf Take:** Trappers who do not have wolf tags and who accidentally capture a wolf must release the wolf uninjured and must report the capture to an Idaho Fish and Game employee within 5 days of release.

Trappers who accidentally capture a wolf that cannot be released uninjured must notify a Fish and Game employee immediately to collect the animal. No one may keep an incidentally taken wolf.

**Wolves with Radio Collars:** Idaho Fish and Game personnel use radio collars to monitor wolf activity, assess population status, and help determine future hunting opportunity. Though it is legal to do so, Fish and Game encourages hunters to avoid harvesting radio-collared wolves. Hunters are required to return any radio collars when they check in their wolf.

**For general hunting rules and license requirements, please consult the 2011 Big Game Seasons and Rules.**